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Subject: RE: Tribal WQS Workgroup Call Agenda - August

Thanks for following up, James. At this point we haven't had our first meeting of the subgroup and the SAFETEA rider is pretty complicated. We can have it as an item on a future call, I don't think we need an update right now.

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Hi Andy,

I realized my question (highlighted below) for you was easy to overlook at the bottom of my previous email. No rush, just wanted to send this since I'm off tomorrow and was hoping to cancel the workgroup call sometime on Monday while also passing along your update.

Have a great weekend,
James

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Hello,

Tod and Tina didn't respond with any updates for next week's meeting, so I can go ahead and cancel the call for next week.

Mary Lou, if Ken does join us for the September call, we can absolutely block out the last half hour for the topics he'd like to touch on.

Andy, is there a specific update you'd like me to pass along to the workgroup on the formation of the SAFETEA subgroup?

Thanks,
James

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James:

Thanks.

If we agree to have Ken Norton on the call in Sept and we cancel Aug call, let's make sure that we allocate time for the EPA dialogue with Ken with other topics.

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Thanks for the feedback everyone. I've reached out to Tod and Tina regarding updates on McGirt/SAFETEA, and am waiting to hear back.

If Andy's updates pertaining to the formation of the SAFETEA subgroup are the only updates to provide on this topic, and there aren't any other pressing topics to cover, we could possibly provide the SAFETEA subgroup update when informing the workgroup that we'll be postponing our call until next month. I'll let you all know once I hear back from Tod and Tina.

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Andy: I defer to you on Klamath if it is relevant. 😊

James: Ken Norton has spoke with the EPA Tribal WQS group on a number of occasions. He shares updates from the National Tribal Water Council relating to Tribal WQS. He is interested in speaking with our group on the September call. Usually we hold our business for first half hour and then he calls in for last half hour. It is a good way for Regional staff to connect with the NTWC.

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We will be having the first SAFETEA subgroup meeting on Monday, 8/17. I think it worth mentioning on the Tribal WQS call so that everyone knows that we are meeting and trying to identify possible issues. FYI, for the subgroup representation the decision was to have 2 people from the main program NPMs. So OW will have 2 possible participants and I'm coordinating that with Kate Graf.

I didn't mean to be such a block on the Klamath Project article that Mary Lou circulated a few months ago. I think it entirely appropriate for sharing and am happy to assist in getting information to the group, if needed.

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James, could you please reach out to Tod and Tina and ask if there's any updated information that's worth raising with the tribal WQS workgroup? OITA is forming a subgroup to address program-specific implications too. Andy – would there be timely updates to share on that work front with the tribal WQS workgroup? If not, we can tee that up for the following workgroup call.

Thanks

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Hi All,

I'm reaching out to ask if there are any additional items you would like to discuss on our upcoming Tribal WQS Workgroup call (scheduled for next Tuesday, August 18th). At this point we have the following items on the agenda:

- Regional Round Robin
- SAFETEA/McGirt update (Tod Siegal and Tina Alvarado)

Some items we could add to the agenda include:

- Federal Circuit Court of Appeals Klamath Project ESA ruling (see first attachment for initial discussion considering addition to agenda)
- Ken Norton – Mary Lou, on the last call you mentioned Ken wanted to join a future meeting. Do you know what he would like to discuss?

Please let me know if you have any suggestions for additional topics to discuss by **noon this Thursday**.

Thanks,
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